

1. What was / has been your occupation before entering politics?

**I proudly served in the Canadian Army for 20 years. I then became a small business owner, offering project management expertise.**

2. Do you live in the riding and, if so, how long has it been your home?

**I live in my riding of Glengarry-Prescott-Russell. My family has lived on a one-acre lot, surrounded by farm fields, near the rural town of Cumberland for the last 18 years.**

3. What has been your main involvement with your community outside of work (volunteer activities, etc.)?

**My main involvement has been in participating in community events. We have very active rural communities with events which are unique to them and it is always a pleasure to support the organizers, volunteers and the community itself by participating in these events.**

4. In your life what event, or book, or speech, or song or even TV show has made the biggest impression on you and your political thinking? Why?

**Freedom of speech and freedom of belief are two fundamental Canadian rights and freedoms. We must always strive to promote and protect these rights as they are essential elements of our Canadian democracy.**

**Rt Honourable John Diefenbaker's expressed this powerfully with these words:**

**"I am Canadian, a free Canadian, free to speak without fear, free to worship God in my own way, free to stand for what I think right, free to oppose what I believe wrong, free to choose those who govern my country. This heritage of freedom I pledge to uphold for myself and all mankind."**

**(John Diefenbaker, House of Commons Debates, 1 July 1960)**

5. What previous politician, (alive or dead, but not currently in parliament) is a role model for you?

**I admire Winston Churchill for his faithful and extraordinary service to his country during a time of extreme need, when challenges and obstacles appeared to be insurmountable.**

6. What policy in your party's platform do you think matters most to the people in your riding?

**For people to live rurally, rural life must be affordable and the local economy must be strong, so that there are jobs to attract families and retain our youth.**

**In Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, people have responded really well to our Conservative plan to make life more affordable for them. They**

**want to pay less tax. With lower taxes, people have more money to spend locally, which strengthens our rural economy and creates local jobs.**

**Two popular initiatives have our announcements to eliminate the Carbon Tax and to implement the Universal Tax Cut – the largest tax cut since the reduction of the GST.**

7. Recent polls suggest many Canadians are disillusioned with politics. If elected, what would you do to address those concerns?

**Canadians want politicians who will serve them with honesty and integrity – and that is what I offer.**

**I know the importance of service. I joined the Canadian Army at the age of 17 and served our country in uniform for 20 years. I continued my service to Canadians as an elected Member of Parliament for 10 years from 2006 to 2015, and I have served my family as a husband and father for over 34 years.**

**I am running to be a Member of Parliament in order to serve the people of my riding, and all Canadians, to the very best of my abilities.**